

Environmental Law

Environmental issues have significant implications for businesses. They can affect the way you operate, the products you make, the way you make them, the materials you use, the waste you discard. They can influence the property you buy or sell, develop or lease. They can entangle your business in a maze of competing federal, provincial and municipal laws and regulations, consume your human resources with paper work, subject you to costly project delays and involve you in tough litigation.

The Environmental Law Group at Harper Grey can help you develop proactive and pragmatic solutions to protect your business and your projects in the most complex of cases. We have a solid background helping land owners, commercial operators, and developers navigate the mine field of contaminated sites legislation.

We assist buyers and sellers, lenders and borrowers, landlords and lessees with the environmental issues that have become a part of every commercial real estate transaction. Our job is to prevent environmental problems, and to resolve them when they arise. Our lawyers have argued many of the leading cases in the Superior Courts of British Columbia and before the Environmental Appeal Board. We are experienced in interpreting the requirements of environmental legislation, including the new *Environmental Management Act*, Contaminated Sites Regulation, *Soil Conservation Act* and the *Transportation of Hazardous Goods Act*.

For more information on our environmental law services, please contact Richard Bereti, practice group chair at 604 895 2816 or via email.

Our Areas of Focus

- Contaminated Sites
- Remediation Orders
- Environmental Appeals and Litigation
- Corporate Transactions
- Commercial Real Estate Transactions
- Landlord and Tenant
- Indemnities and Releases
- Urban Development
- Brownfields

Recent News

- Updates to BC's Contaminated Sites Regulation
- Richard Bereti featured in National Post
- Attisha and Elder Featured in the Lawyers Weekly
- Richard Bereti Authors New Book on Environmental Law

Media Centre

- Environmental Violators Get a Break

Events

- Doing Business with Contaminated Land
- Environmental Law Forum
- CBA (BC) Class Action Subsection Meeting
- Environmental Law for Sole Practitioners
- Union of BC Municipalities
- 5th Edition Western Canada Contaminated Sites Conference

Lawyers

- Chair:** Richard E. Bereti
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- Production of Contaminants
- Industrial Waste Management
- Creditor Liability
- Regulatory Compliance
- Environmental Assessments
- Offences and Prosecutions
- Transportation of Hazardous Goods
- Sick Building Syndrome

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